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To: Microsoft ATR

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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

Ms. Renata B. Hesse, Antitrust Division 601 D Street NW, Suite 1200 Washington, DC 20530-0001

Dear Ms. Renata Hesse:

Please put a stop to the economically-draining witch-hunt against Microsoft. This has gone on long enough.

There are times that things happen that in the long run are of great help in developing technology and this is one of them.

Microsoft has already agreed to hide its Internet Explorer icon from the desktop; the fact is, this case against Microsoft is little more than "welfare" for Netscape and other Microsoft competitors, with not a nickel going to those supposedly harmed by Microsoft: the computer user.

I do not see where it has harmed myself in any way as I still use netscape and other outside software and never have any problems so I simply think this has gone on far enough and it is time to stop the states from mooching off me and a large company that has helped to turn the computer into a usuable tool.

This is just another method for states to get free money, and a terrible precedent for the future, not only in terms of computer technology, but all sorts of innovations in the most dynamic industry the world has ever seen.

Please put a stop to this travesty of justice now. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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